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NODIS CHEROKEE

DEPARTMENT PASS PRETORIA NIACT IMMEDIATE

FROM SCHAUFEELE

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH RHODESIANS

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1. IN VIEW OF PRIORITY GIVEN TO MEETING WITH RHODESIANS AND MACHEL I WILL HAVE TO MAKE SOME CHOICE AND ONLY OPTION IS TO OMIT TANZANIA WHICH ROWLANDS WILL VISIT AFTER MAPUTO.

2. AS SUGGESTED GABORONE 1835, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT PRIORITY SHOULD BE PLACED ON GETTING TO MAPUTO MORNING AFTER ROWLANDS SEES MACHEL AND THEN RETURN PRETORIA TO SEE RHODESIANS. I BELIEVE MACHEL WOULD TAKE IT AMISS, AFTER ASKING TO SEE ME, IF I WERE TO TRY TO ACCOMPANY ROWLANDS.

3. ONE POSSIBILITY IN DAR WOULD BE FOR SPAIN NOT ONLY TO BE BRIEFED BY ROWLANDS AND DUFF BUT ALSO HIMSELF SEE NYERERE WITH APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS WHICH WILL GET ACROSS U.S. VIEWS. I WILL ASK ROWLANDS TO HAVE HIS AMBASSADORS KEEP ME INFORMED OF HIS TALKS. IS ROWLANDS EXPECTED TO SEE RHODESIANS AS WELL?

4. MAIN EMPHASIS I HAVE CONTINUED TO PRESS ON ROWLANDS

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AND DUFF IS TO AVOID NEGOTIATING SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES BEFORE

CONFERENCE. DUFF UNDERSTANDS THIS BETTER THAN ROWLANDS BUT LATTER IS BEGINNING TO GET THE MESSAGE. ONE QUESTION WHICH KEEPS POPPING UP TO BRITISH IS HOW ACTIVE THEY WILL BE AT CONFERENCE. AFRICANS WOULD LIKE THEM NOT TO JUST "HELP" BUT TAKE MORE PROMINENT ROLE. INTERESTINGLY NKOMO AND MUZOREWA SEEM LESS DEMANDING THAN FRONT LINE PRESIDENTS.

5. SINCE I AM NOT AWARE OF ALL THE COMMUNICATIONS, ESPECIALLY WITH UK, ON THIS SUBJECT I TRUST TALKING POINTS CAN BE EXPEDITED AS REQUESTED GABORONE 1835 PARA 2.

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